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**AMENDMENT B**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanies this amendment.

This Amendment B responds to the Office Action mailed 9 June 2005.